(b) whether such telecasts are unauthorised; and

(c) if so, whether India has the means to prevent such unauthorised telecast?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND ELECTRONICS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) It is understood that geostationary satellite designated as GAILS was launched on January 20, 1994 by Russia and that it is expected to be operational by March, 1994 at 44 degree E longitude. It is also learnt that it carries three high power transponders operating in the 18/12 GHz band. It is understood that the setellite has technical carability to position satellite antenna coverage beam over any part-of the Indian Ocean Region (IOR). The transponders can be used for TV transmissions which could be received by relatively small dish antennas. It is understood that these transponders have already been leased out.

(b) and (c) The frequency bands used in these transponders fall in the category of Broadcast Satellite Service and the Russian authorities if they want to operate these beams over India, have to coordinate the operations with India. As per a resolution of the United Nations "A State which intends to establish or authorise the establishment of an international direct television broadcasting satellite service, shall without any delay, notify the proposed receiving State or States of such intention and shall promptly enter into consultation with any of those States which so requests". Under this resolution and if GALS operations are not technically compatible with the existing Broadcast Satellite Services Plan of 1977, mutual consultations will have to be entered into to find a satisfactory solution.

Housing/accommodation facility to the employees of SHAR Centre

3272. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of employees working in SHAR Centre, Sribarikota (Andhra Pradesh);

(b) how many of them have been provided with housing/accommodation facility; and

(c) what steps are being taken to provide accommodation to all the employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND ELECTRONICS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) 2435

(b) 2411

(c) The employees without Government accommodation are only 24. Some of these employees have not applied for Government accommodation and the remaining are waiting for their eligible type of quarters to fall vacant. This small waiting list will be wiped out when 24 quarters under construction are completed by June 1994.

STATEMENT BY MINISTER

Correcting answer to Unstarred Question No. 220 answered on 12-8-1993

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSION (SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA): Madam, I beg to lay on the Table a statement (in English and Hindi) correcting the reply given in the Rajya Sabha on the 12th August 1993 to Unstarred Question No. 2220 regarding permission for CBI Inquiry. (Placed in Library See No. LT 5579/94)

श्री चतुरानन मिश्र : (बिहार) : मैडम, इसके बारे में मेरा जरा प्वाइंट आफ् आर्डर है।

उपसभापति : उनको कुछ इसमें आपत्ति है।

श्री चतुरानन मिश्र : हमारा एतराज यही है कि बार-बार ऐसा आता है कि जो हमने जवाब दिया है और जिसको हम फिर कोरेक्ट करते हैं, यह बार-बार जो हो रहा है इस पर आपको ज्यादा ध्यान देना चाहिए, क्योंकि अब ऐसा अगर मंत्री लोग करेंगे तो यूनिवर्सिटीज में, स्कूल्ज में लड़के भी कहेंगे कि हम अपने जवाब को फिर कोरेक्ट करेंगे। इसलिए इस पर आप जरा सोचने का कुछ प्रयास कीजिए।

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: Madam, may I just clarify? The correction to the statement which was made in the House is simply that originally the figure was given as a certain number of cases which had taken more than six months. The information had to be collected from all over the country. When we got the total information...

SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: This is not a one-day affair.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Let us hear her.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: The figure given that day was, in fact, more, but the actual cases were ony 22. I have corrected it and brought it down to 22. It is not as much as we had stated then.

उपसभापति : अभी क्लीयर हो गया।

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA (Karnataka): Madam my objection is different. This is an answer given in the August session. In between there was a session in December. If there are any corrections, they should come in the next session, not whenever they like. Actually when there was a session, if an infomation was wrongly given to the House, the Department should be alert and they should come immediately, at the next opportunity, to correct it. They can't sleep over it and come whenever they like. So, the correction to the answer given in August could have come in December. I think the Government will at least take note of these things. They should not sleep over them. The Department should come out. Having given a wrong information they should be alert and they should correct it at the next earliest opportunity and not whenever they like.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The Minister will take note of it, I think.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: Madam. I have taken note of it.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Next time it won't happen—she will see to it. I hope she doesn't ever have such an occasion.

SHRI H. HANUMANTHAPPA: The Department should have been alert.

...(Interruptions)..'.

SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: I can come only when the exact figures come to me. The information had to be collected from all over the country.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Report and Accountss (1992-93) of the Sree Chitra Tirunal Institute for Medical Sciences and Technnology, Trivandrum and related papers.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): Madam, on behalf of SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: I lay on the table:—

I. A copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers under